

THE PETERSON GROUP REVIEW: WIKIPEDIA FOUNDER TIRADES AGAINST HOMEOPATHY

Drama does not only happen in televisions and among ordinary citizens like us. Even professionals and businessmen would now want to be a part of the unfolding sentiments among human beings. Wikipedia is no different and Wikipedia founder, Jimmy Wales has full of it.

[Homeopathic and alternative medicine](#) supporters across the globe have been offended on how Wikipedia has defined homeopathy on its page which as they state in their petition in Change.org “...such of



the information related to holistic approaches to healing is biased, misleading, out-of-date, or just plain wrong. For five years, repeated efforts to correct this misinformation have been blocked and the Wikipedia organization

has not addressed these issues”. The said petition entitled, Jimmy Wales, Founder of Wikipedia: Create and enforce new policies that allow for true scientific discourse about holistic approaches to healing now has 11, 000 supporters who pledge that they would no longer donate to Wikipedia if their demands are not met. However, they may be up for a disappointment as the expected response was not what Wales has prepared for them.

What they did end up getting was the vehement, unyielding reply from Wikipedia founder who is definitely against homeopathy and calls the practice, “the work of lunatic charlatans”. He even joined a public forum in Quora to vent his displeasure stating, “...homeopathy is a proven fraud” and that “homeopathic remedies of no value whatsoever are legally marketed”.

Jimmy Wales then proceeded to stand his ground and mockingly replied that the supporters can keep their money regardless of their number. He then continued, “No, you have to be kidding me. Every single person who signed this petition needs to go back to check their premises and think harder about what it means to be honest, factual, and truthful.”

When this reached supporters of [alternative medicines](#), they immediately reported it to Quora who removed it to avoid inciting prejudice and influence other people into believing what Wales; a great and very influential person has to say about homeopathy. Complaints then started pouring from all directions.

According to Patrick Com, homeopathic expert practicing in [Jakarta, Indonesia](#), “Wikipedia is a valuable source of information for many, but to retain its integrity it has to be impartial – and this certainly has not been the case with homeopathy”. He then added, “Instead of neutrality, Wikipedia has taken an ugly stand on homeopathy that misleads many”.